

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application:

Listing of Claims

1. (currently amended) A portable electronic photo album comprising:

a housing structure that fits within a pocket-sized wallet;

an electronic display, located within the housing, capable of displaying user-provided digital images, wherein the display area of the electronic display is more than half the size of the area of the surface of the housing structure about the electronic display and the electronic display is a touch-screen electronic display;

memory, located within the housing, that stores one or more digital images;

~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry, located within the housing and being coupled to the memory and the display, the processing circuitry being operable to display ~~substantially dedicated to displaying~~ on the electronic display the one or more digital images stored in the memory; and

a speaker, located within the housing, for playing sound.

2. (original) The portable photo album of claim 1, wherein the processing circuitry is an application specific integrated circuit (ASIC).

3. (original) The portable photo album of claim 1, wherein the processing circuitry is a programmable logic device (PLD).

4. (original) The portable photo album of claim 1, wherein the housing includes at least one user input device for advancing which digital image is displayed on the electronic display.

5. (original) The portable photo album of claim 1, wherein the electronic display also displays at least one user input location for advancing which digital image is displayed on the electronic display.

6. (original) The portable photo album of claim 1, wherein the electronic display is a liquid crystal display.

7. (original) The portable photo album of claim 6, wherein the liquid crystal display is substantially flexible.

8. (original) The portable photo album of claim 1 further comprising an electrical connector mounted to the housing, and wherein the digital images are loaded into memory via a cable connected to the connector.

9. (original) The portable photo album of claim 1 further comprising an infrared I/O port, and wherein the digital images are loaded into memory via the infrared I/O port.

10. (currently amended) The portable photo album of claim 1 further comprising a FLASH memory connector, and wherein the digital images are loaded into memory via ~~the~~ a FLASH card connector to the FLASH memory connector.

11. (currently amended) A portable electronic photo album system comprising:

a portable electronic photo album that includes an electronic display, memory, and ~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry

that displays one or more digital images stored in the memory, said electronic display, memory and ~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry being located within a housing that fits within a pocket-sized wallet;

at least one ~~permanent~~ preloaded digital image that is ~~permanently~~ stored in said memory, wherein said at least one ~~permanent~~ preloaded digital image is operable of being displayed on said electronic display;

~~means for capturing the one or more digital images;~~
and

a computer that receives ~~the captured~~ one or more digital images as a result of first user input and sends the one or more digital images to the portable photo album as a result of second user input for storage in the memory.

12 (currently amended) The portable photo album system of claim 11 further comprising:

means for capturing the one or more digital images;
and

a common interface cable that is connected to the computer and one of the means for capturing and the portable photo album.

13 (currently amended) The portable photo album system of claim 11, further comprising means for capturing the one or more digital images, wherein the means for capturing is a digital still camera.

14 (currently amended) The portable photo album system of claim 11, further comprising means for capturing the one or more digital images, wherein the means for capturing is a scanner.

15 (currently amended) The portable photo album system of claim 11, further comprising means for capturing the one or more digital images, wherein the means for capturing is a CD-rom which includes digital images.

16 (currently amended) The portable photo album system of claim 11, further comprising means for capturing the one or more digital images, wherein the means for capturing is a floppy disk which includes digital images.

17 (original) The portable photo album system of claim 11, wherein the computer includes application software for manipulating the captured digital images.

18 (currently amended) The portable photo album system of claim 17, wherein the computer includes a monitor, and the application software includes the ability to display on the monitor the one or more digital images exactly as ~~they~~ the one or more digital images appear when displayed on the electronic display of the portable photo album.

19 (currently amended) A pocket-sized portable electronic photo album comprising:

a housing;

an electronic flexible display, located within the housing, capable of displaying user-provided digital images;

memory, located within the housing, that stores a plurality of user-provided digital images, wherein the plurality of user-provided digital images are loaded into the memory as a result of user input; and

~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry, located within the housing and being coupled to the memory and the display, the processing circuitry ~~being substantially dedicated to~~ operable to displaying display on the electronic display the

plurality of user-provided digital images stored in the memory.

20. (currently amended) The pocket-sized electronic photo album of claim 19, wherein the ~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry is an application specific integrated circuit (ASIC).

21. (currently amended) The pocket-sized electronic photo album of claim 19, wherein the ~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry is a programmable logic device (PLD).

22. (currently amended) A method for displaying one or more user-provided digital images on a portable photo album that fits within a pocket-sized wallet comprising:

storing one or more user-provided digital images in memory, wherein the memory is located in a housing;

utilizing ~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry to extract one of the stored user-provided images from memory, the ~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry being ~~substantially dedicated to displaying~~ operable to display on an electronic display the one or more user-provided digital images stored in the memory and the processing circuitry is located in the housing;

integrating sound with at least one of said user-
provided digital images; and

displaying the extracted user-provided digital image
on the electronic display, wherein the display is located in
the housing.

23. (original) The method of claim 22, wherein the
dedicated processing circuitry is an application specific
integrated circuit (ASIC).

24. (currently amended) The method of claim 22,
wherein the ~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry is a programmable
logic device (PLD).

25. (currently amended) The method of claim 22,
wherein storing is accomplished by inputting the one or more
user-provided digital images via a conventional interface
cable.

26. (original) The method of claim 25, wherein the
conventional interface cable is an interface cable that also
may be connected to a digital camera.

27. (currently amended) The method of claim 22, wherein storing is accomplished by inputting the one or more user-provided digital images via an infrared I/O port.

28. (currently amended) The method of claim 22, wherein storing is accomplished by connecting a FLASH memory card to a connector on the housing and the user-provided images are read into memory from the FLASH card.

29. (cancelled).

30. (currently amended) A portable electronic photo album comprising:

a structure that fits within a pocket-sized wallet;

a magnetic strip located on the structure that includes credit card information, wherein the magnetic strip is operable to be swiped through a credit card reader;

an electronic display, located on the structure, capable of displaying digital images;

a memory card, coupled to the structure and mateable with the structure, that stores one or more user-provided digital images; and

~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry, coupled to the structure and being coupled to the display and to the memory card when the memory card is mated to the structure, the processing circuitry being operable to display ~~substantially dedicated to displaying~~ on the electronic display the one or more user-provided digital images stored in the memory card.

31. (original) The portable electronic photo album of claim 30, further comprising:

display memory, the processing circuitry acting to swap image data from the memory card into the display memory for display on the electronic display.

32. (original) The portable electronic photo album of claim 30, wherein the processing circuitry displays image on the electronic display directly from image data stored on the memory card.

33. (currently amended) A portable electronic photo album comprising:

a housing structure that fits within a pocket-sized wallet;

an electronic display, located within the housing,
capable of displaying user-provided digital images;

memory, located within the housing, that stores one
or more user-provided digital images, wherein at least one
preloaded digital image is ~~permanently~~ stored in said memory,
~~wherein a user does not have the ability to load additional~~
~~digital images in said memory; and~~

~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry, located within the
housing and being coupled to the memory and the display, the
processing circuitry being ~~substantially dedicated to~~
~~displaying~~ operable to display on the electronic display the
one or more digital images and preloaded digital image stored
in the memory.

34. (previously presented) The portable electronic
photo album of claim 33, further comprising a speaker for
producing sound.

35. (previously presented) The portable electronic
photo album of claim 33, wherein said display is a flexible
display.

36. (currently amended) A portable electronic photo album comprising:

a housing structure that fits within a pocket-sized wallet;

an electronic display, located within the housing, capable of displaying digital images, wherein said electronic display is a flexible display;

memory, located within the housing, that stores one or more user-provided digital images, wherein at least one preloaded digital image is ~~permanently~~ stored in said memory, ~~wherein a user does not have the ability to load additional digital images in said memory;~~ and

~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry, located within the housing and being coupled to the memory and the display, the processing circuitry being operable to display ~~substantially dedicated to displaying~~ on the electronic display the one or more user-provided digital images and preloaded digital image stored in the memory.

37. (previously presented) The portable electronic photo album of claim 36, wherein said housing structure is hard.

38. (currently amended) The portable electronic photo album of claim 36, wherein video clips are stored on said memory and are playable by said ~~dedicated~~ processing circuitry to be displayed to said electronic display.